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Sir: Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claim:

70. The acoustic conversion device according to claim 69, wherein the thickness of at least one portion in the longitudinal direction of the curved portion is made thicker, or a high elastic modulus portion is provided by increasing the density of an elastic body forming the one portion in the longtidunal direction of the curved portion.

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE:

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